

May 5, 2004

Section of Environment Analysis Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, NW Washington, DC 20423-0001 received 5/11/04

Re:

Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 253X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company Abandonment – between Escambia Junction and Trenton, SC [Edgefield County]

To Whom It May Concern:

We have received a letter of April 12 from Norfolk Southern Railway regarding the above-referenced proposal to abandon railway track in Edgefield County, SC and an assessment of historic properties that might be affected.

Our office concurs with the recommendation that no properties included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places will be affected by this project. We do not require a cultural resources survey for this project.

These comments are provided as evidence of your consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office, pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended. If you have questions, please call me at (803) 896-6169. Thank you.

Sin¢erely,

Makta Matthews

Review and Compliance Coordinator State Historic Preservation Office

cc: Mr. James Paschall, Norfolk Southern